

Marshall Team Meeting (MTM)  
January 9, 2006

DA01/C. Chitwood – Introduced Marty Kress who has joined the Center as Executive Director of the National Space Science and Technology Center (NSSTC).

Dave is attending the AIAA Conference being held in Reno, Nevada, today and tomorrow. He will return to the office on Wednesday, January 11.

The all-hands meeting on Friday, January 6, with Administrator Mike Griffin went very well, and we had a lot of hard, candid questions that were well answered by the Administrator and Dave King. The Administrator also spoke to a record crowd of over 1,200 at the Von Braun Center (VBC) on Friday for lunch. The Center also had a roundtable discussion with him, Dave King, Robin Henderson, and a few of our senior leadership that afternoon to update him on the Center's new organization and how we were moving out and going to implement the vision for space exploration.

The Information Technology Security Office requested I remind the Center user community that a current vulnerability exists in Microsoft Windows-based operating systems. Microsoft has not released a fix, and Marshall does not have a list of infected sites. Please limit Internet surfing to work-related sites to minimize the impact of this vulnerability to the NASA community.

The next residents of the International Space Station will discuss their mission during a news conference at 3 p.m. EST (2 p.m. CST), Thursday, January 12, at NASA's Johnson Space Center, Houston. The event is live on NASA TV with questions taken from reporters at Agency Centers.

On January 15 at 12:57 a.m. EST, the Stardust will release its sample return capsule. Four hours later the capsule will enter Earth's atmosphere at 410,000 feet over the Pacific Ocean. The capsule will release a drogue parachute at approximately 105,000 feet. Once the capsule has descended to about 10,000 feet, the main parachute will deploy. The capsule is scheduled to land on the range at 5:12 a.m. EST.

DE01/R. Henderson – I will be at NASA Headquarters on Wednesday and Thursday of this week to attend the Agency Operations Management Council Meeting.

BAH/L. Jean – Presented a briefing relating to a recent mishap involving an individual who suffered a back injury resulting in lost time. Charts used in this presentation are posted at Inside Marshall.

QD50/D. Davis – Presented the Center's monthly Industrial Safety Report that included the Center's current safety metrics status, the required supervisor safety topic for December, and a report on the Texas City British Petroleum (BP) refinery explosion, which occurred in 2005. Charts used in this presentation are posted at Inside Marshall.

CS10/S. Durham – Presented a report of upcoming events:

The 2006 Team Redstone Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observance will be Thursday, January 12, 11 a.m., at the Redstone Arsenal Officers' and Civilians' Club. Dr. Virginia Caples, interim president of Alabama A&M University, will be the speaker. This year's theme is "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On...Not a Day Off." For additional information, contact the Office of Equal Opportunity.

All NASA employees are invited to spend the day at Sam's Club Warehouse on Saturday, Jan. 14 from 9:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. One day guest passes are available from the Government and Community Relations Office, Bldg. 4200, Rm. 828. During the open house, please stop by the following departments and show your NASA badge for a special gift: Optical, Photo lab and the Pharmacy. For additional information, please contact Rosa Kilpatrick at 544-0042.

AS01/J. Carter – The Center will be receiving enough vaccine for approximately 600 additional flu shots. These will be given on a "first come first serve basis" to MSFC civil service or contractor personnel on January 11, 2006, in Bldg. 4316, MSFC Activities Building (west of the Wellness Center on Digney Road), from 12 noon - 3 p.m.

According to the CDC, it is not too late to receive the immunization. Peak protection develops within two weeks following vaccination.

JP01/D. Dumbacher – The Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition (JOFOC) was signed last week for the first-stage booster. The acquisition strategy meeting for engine has been delayed. We have a requirements review going on this week with all the right people from across the Center

ED01/M. Rudolphi – Preston Jones will be at Glenn tomorrow to specifically talk liquid oxygen methane. While he is there, he is going to explore how Marshall can begin working with Glenn. We have serious Environmental Control and Life Support Systems (ECLSS) Reviews ongoing this week with Johnson Space Center (JSC) in preparation for shipping the module. By the end of this week, we should have this issue under control. We are, based on the Program Requirements Control Board meeting last Thursday, January 5, have some serious rallying to do to get the external tank work going, etc. I have Steve Altemus and Charlie Camaeda of JSC attending a meeting with me on Wednesday, January 11, to discuss on who is using the Shuttle. They also want to see how we have the Chief Engineers placed within our projects and how we do business.

HS01/T. Washington – The Flexiplace Program is being replaced by the Telework Program. Teleworking is any arrangement in which an employee regularly performs officially assigned duties at home or at another site that is geographically convenient to the residence of the employee. E-mail notification will be going out soon to all Center employees.

RS01/F. Mayhall – Reminded everyone that many of the Center's organizations have not, as of today, submitted the requested institutional budget requirements that are now seriously delinquent. If your organization has not yet provided your requirements, please do so today as soon as possible.